

KEY PEOPLE	
William the Conqueror 1066-1087	He reigned from 1066-1087. He defeated King Harold in 1066 and became King of England even though, he was French.
King Henry VIII 1509-1547	King Henry the VIII was best know for having six wives. The second son of Henry VII, Henry was only 17 years of age when he became king in 1509.
Queen Elizabeth I 1558-1603	Elizabeth I was the daughter of Henry VIII. She never married although she said she was married to her country. She was well-known for her red hair and wearing lots of white make-up.
Queen Victoria 1837-1901	Victoria is the second longest reigning monarch in British history. She married her cousin, Albert, and they had nine children together.
Elizabeth II 1952-Present day	Elizabeth recently became the longest reigning monarch in British history.

DID YOU KNOW?

King Henry VIII was desperate for a son, so when his wife Katherine of Aragon gave birth to a baby girl, he divorced her. In doing so, he split England from the Catholic Church and created the Church of England. Henry had a total of six wives. He divorced two and beheaded two!

In 2015, Queen Elizabeth II became the longest reigning monarch with 65 years on the throne. Before this, Queen Victoria had been the longest reigning monarch.



Kings, Queens and Castles

KEY VOCABULARY	
Monarch	A head of state such as a king, queen or emperor
Legacy	Something that a person leaves behind to be remembered by.
Historical sources	Documents, artefacts, photographs etc that are from or inform us about the past.
Reign	To hold royal office; rules as a monarch
Coronation	A ceremony to crown the new King or Queen.
Development	A significant change or movement
Throne	A ceremonial chair for important people such as monarchs.
Innovation	A new method or ideas.
Hierarchy	A system of ranking people according to their status.
Royalty	People of royal blood or status
Elizabethan	Relating to the reign of Queen Elizabeth I. A person alive in this era.
Victorian	Relating to the reign of Queen Victoria. A person alive in this era.
Heir	A person legally entitled to the property or rank of another on that person's death.